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SUBJECT: U.S. ARMS FOR JORDAN

1. PRINCE SULTAN, SAUDI MINISTER OF DEFENSE, TOLD THE AMBASSADOR TODAY (SEPT 10) THAT SAUDI ARABIA WILL BE GIVING JORDAN SUBSTANTIAL ASSISTANCE FOR ARMS PURCHASES IN THE NEAR FUTURE. HE DID NOT GO INTO ANY DETAIL ON ANY OF THESE MATTERS EXCEPT ON THE QUESTION OF THE HAWK MISSILES.

2. PRINCE SULTAN, LIKE OTHER SAUDIS, IS DISTURBED AT THE APPARENT RELUCTANCE OF THE UNITED STATES TO SELL JORDAN THE WEAPONS--ESPECIALLY HAWK MISSILES-- IT NEEDS FOR ITS DEFENSE. HE SAID IF WE ARE UNWILLING TO PROVIDE THEM, JORDAN WILL HAVE TO TURN TO WHOEVER IS WILLING TO SELL INCLUDING THE SOVIET UNION. AND EVEN IN THAT CASE SAUDI ARABIA WOULD PICK UP THE TAB. HE SAID SAUDI ARABIA WOULD, OF COURSE, PREFER THAT JORDAN BUY FROM THE UNITED STATES.
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